



Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.
Matthew 3

MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday 8:30 am
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am & 7:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after 8:30 am Mass every
First Friday of the month.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:30—4:45 pm
Sunday 8:00—8:15 am & 10:00—10:15 am

ALSO BY APPOINTMENT - please call Fr. Pat 778-478-6288

BAPTISM—Baptisms take place during one of the weekend Masses. Our diocesan policy is to do Baptism Preparation for the first **two** children. Please contact us a month in advance of desired date.

MARRIAGE—Please contact our Parish Office at least 6 months in advance for potential booking—250-860-6776 or email: charlesgarnier@gmail.com

CONTACT US:

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Website: www.stcharlesgarnier.ca

Pastor: Pat Monette
Pastor's direct line: 778-478-6288

Office Manager: Marilee O'Donnell
Office Phone: (250) 860-6776 **Fax:** (250) 860-0542
Office e-mail: charlesgarnier@gmail.com

Catechism Coordinator:
Email: children@stcharlesgarnier.ca

MINISTRY COORDINATORS

If you wish to become involved contact the Parish Office 250-860-6776 or:

Altar Servers
Campus Ministry email: ubco.focus@gmail.com
Children's Liturgy children@stcharlesgarnier.ca
Eucharistic Ministers Patti Cook 778-478-6563
Hospital Visitation & Eucharist. .Ethel Robidoux 250-860-2101
Moms & Tots Group Lindsay Rowe 778-478-1133
Music JoAnn Young 250-764-0485
Readers.....
Sacristans Flo Pasutto 250-764-8716
Safe Environment Coordinator—Bob Fortier 250-861-8709
or email: frolics41@yahoo.ca
Security Patrol.....
Ushers Gino Servedio 250-764-3182

CONTACT NUMBERS

CLUBHOUSE DAYCARE 250-860-4393
CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITY CARE 250-491-1088
CURSILLO John Schlosser..... 250-764-7007
DIOCESE OF NELSON—Catholic Pastoral Centre 250-448-2725
ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER 250-764-4333
FREEDOM'S DOOR freedomdoor@shaw.ca 250-717-0472
GRIEF TO GRACE ... www.GriefftoGrace.org 250-878-7603
KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE 250-862-8202
PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE 250-763-2112
RACHEL'S VINEYARD . . info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com . 250-762-2273
REACH OUT YOUTH COUNSELLING & FAMILY SERVICES 250-763-7892

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

BICYCLES FOR HUMANITY . . . Keith Germaine 250-764-2942

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Meet second Tuesday of the month at 9:30 am
President: Linda Servedio. 250-764-3182
Membership inquiries: . . . Benita Spencer 250-868-8608

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE . . . Keith Germaine 250-764-2942

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS www.stcharleskoc.com

Meet second Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm.
Grand Knight: . . . Rob Grifone 250-862-9354
Email: rgrifone@stcharleskoc.com

Last Sunday of each month—Knights Breakfast after a.m. Masses

FR. PANDOSY 4TH DEGREE ASSEMBLY—Knights of Columbus

Inquiries Gino Servedio. 250-764-3182

PRAYER TO ST. PEREGRINE

If you have friends or family members with cancer, add them to our list, as we pray daily for them. Contact:

Alice - 250-860-3541—email: alicemccrea@shaw.ca or
Christine - 250-768-5274—email: cbreevesac@shaw.ca

SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER . . . Maria 778-214-2705

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL. 250-860-2536

Meet second and fourth Wednesdays at 9:00 am

Last Sunday of each month—SSVP donations

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	Dec. 5	8:30 am	✠ Ken Nicholls
Tuesday	Dec. 6	8:30 am	✠ Barbara Schepenski
Wednesday	Dec. 7	8:30 am	✠ Mary & Angus MacKinnon
Thursday	Dec. 8	8:30 am	✠ Alan & Rose McBurney
Friday	Dec. 9	8:30 am	✠ Gladys Ominski
Saturday	Dec. 10	5:00 pm	✠ Peter Mlikotic
Sunday	Dec. 11	8:30 am	✠ Carolina Pyne
		10:30 am	Int. Joanne Nash
		7:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Charles Garnier

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

If you are hospitalized, please be sure to identify yourself as Catholic when being admitted. Family members are also asked to notify the parish office of shut-ins and hospitalized parishioners.

For emergencies *while you are a patient in the hospital*—call the Chaplaincy Phone 250-878-1502.

GUIDE TO GIVING

	2016 YTD	2015 YTD
Collections	\$ 428,526	\$ 439,571
Building Fund	\$ 39,538	\$ 42,212

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

1st Reading:	Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10
2nd Reading:	James 5:7-10
Gospel:	Matthew 11:2-11

REMEMBER OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS!

St. Joseph Elementary and Immaculata High provide the Catholic families of our parish (and many others) a superior Catholic educational experience for all grades K-12.

If providing a Catholic education for your family matters, go to www.kelownacatholic.org for more information.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS INFO.

S.C.G. School Board Rep.	Rita Smith
Immaculata High	250-762-2730
St. Joseph Elementary	250-763-3371
Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary School	250-768-9008
Kelowna Catholic Independent Schools	250-448-2725 or 250-762-2905

Fax: 1-866-964-3858 Website: www.kelownacatholic.org

ADVENT 2016 RECONCILIATION RITES

PARISH	DAY	DATE	TIME
St. Edward's Parish	Tuesday	Dec. 6	6:30 pm
Immaculata High School	Tuesday	Dec. 13	10:30 am
St. Charles Garnier Parish	Tuesday	Dec. 13	6:30 pm
Our Lady of Lourdes School	Wednesday	Dec. 14	1:00 pm
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish	Wednesday	Dec. 14	6:30 pm
St. Pius X Parish	Thursday	Dec. 15	6:30 pm
Corpus Christi Parish	Friday	Dec. 16	6:30 pm
Immaculate Conception Parish	Monday	Dec. 19	3:30 pm

BIG WHITE MASS



Every Sunday at 3:30 pm, starting Sunday, December 18th and concluding at the end of the ski season. Mass will be held in the staff lunch room, upstairs in the main ski rental building (watch for signs). **** Mass will also be celebrated on Christmas Day & New Year's Day at 3:30 pm****

JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Catholic Independent Schools of the Nelson Diocese (CISND) invites applications at this time for the following position:

Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary School, West Kelowna:

1 Certified Education Assistant; training in autism and/or POPARD would be an asset.

Start date: January 3, 2017. Closing date: until filled.

Please view the diocesan school website www.cisnd.ca for posting details, application documents and process.

OUR PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

Our Diocesan Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal is continuing to progress well thanks to the parishioners who have helped us raise \$ 55,445 after 9 weeks, which puts us at 68.8% of our Diocesan goal. No gift is too small. If you are concerned about issues like the shortage of priests, youth ministry, catholic schools and capital maintenance, now is your opportunity to help by supporting the services and ministries that are assisted through the Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal. All remaining pledge cards have been mailed out, if you did not receive one please pick up a blank package from the foyer.

IRHS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS ART EXHIBITION

Please join us for our special Christmas fundraising evening as we celebrate Immaculata's fine young artists...Tuesday, December 6, 2016 6:30-8:30 pm.

Doors open at 6:30 pm

- Gallery and silent auction of student art work from Grade 8-9 Art classes
- Christmas music performances by Immaculata students
- Gingerbread raffle/Bake/Craft Sale
- Original "Alex Fong" watercolour print for auction

Wine sales by Meadow Vista Honey Wines

Desserts/Beverages will be served

Admission by Donation

All proceeds will go towards the Fine Arts Department

(Debit/Credit machine available)

BISHOP COONEY'S 85TH BIRTHDAY

There will be a coffee social for Bishop Eugene Cooney to celebrate his 85th birthday on Sat. Dec. 10, following the 9 am mass. We will gather in ICC parish hall. A basket will be set out for gifts & cards at the social. Cards may be left @ the ICC parish office (open 8:30 - 12:30 pm) if you are unable to attend. A spiritual bouquet card will be offered. Contact Eileen by Dec. 9 @ collinsoka@hotmail.com to include your offerings of masses, rosaries, visits to the chapel.



We at Freedom's Door from time to time are in need of items that are fundamental in giving care to our 50 residents.

We are currently in need of the following items: Bath Towels, Hand Towels, Face Cloths, Single Bed Sheets & Pillow Shams, Blankets & Quilts.

Donations may be dropped off Monday -Friday between 8am - 4pm at 1279 Centennial Cres, Kelowna, BC or if anyone requires pick up please call [250-717-0435](tel:250-717-0435)

Thank you for your ongoing and continuous support.

HELP NEEDED

The St. Charles Garnier Moms & Tots Group is looking for grandmas to volunteer with childcare. We meet from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. every Wednesday for faith-based discussion, fellowship and prayer. We have an amazing team of volunteers who watch our children while we meet, but our group is growing! All interested in volunteering must have successfully completed the Safe Environment protocol. Please email Julia at friedom@hotmail.com

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Ladies, please come and join us for a

Catered Christmas Luncheon

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13TH

Time: 11:30 AM

Cost: \$15.00 Tickets available in the Parish Office.

TO HELP MAKE CHRISTMAS JUST A LITTLE BIT BRIGHTER, please bring a gift of socks for the women of the Haven, and if you wish please along some Christmas baking or toiletries for our young St. Charles Cradle mom Leela. Thank you!

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Its that time of year again to renew your 2017 Membership.

We invite all snow birds to renew your Membership before you head to warmer climes! You may drop your Membership in the collection basket. Fee remains @ \$30.00

For more information call our Membership convener Benita Spencer @ 250-868-8608.



KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE

The AGM of Kelowna Right to Life, held Nov. 23 highlighted some inspiring achievements. The Pro Life Thrift Store, a 100% volunteer operation, raised \$49,910.15 in the last year. This was achieved with a manpower of 25 volunteers, directed by Julie Wambeke. These volunteers contributed 6,240 hours during the year.

Thank you to all of our donors who provide the resources to enable the store to exist. These funds directly support the Pro Life office, resources and educational programs. New volunteers are always welcome. Inquire with Julie at 250.762.9266.

MI MASS

The monthly MI mass, normally celebrated on the 1st Saturday of each month will be deferred from Dec. 3rd to Tues. Dec.8 at ICC. The regular Saturday morning mass will be at 9 am at ICC. The mass on Dec. 8 will celebrate the Marian Feast Day of the Immaculate Conception. Mass will be celebrated at 5:15 pm. Confessions will be available at 4:30 pm, the rosary at 4:45 pm, prior to mass. A pot luck supper will follow in the hall. Last names from A - O are requested to bring a main dish for 8. Names from P - Z please bring a salad or desert for 8. New comers welcome!

LATE BREAKING NEWS

St. Nicholas is coming to town!!!!

We will have a small St. Nicholas Party this Sunday, December 4th after the 10:30 mass. Hot lunch provided. Crafts, cookie decorating and more.

Join us with your family for faith filled fun from 10:30 until 12:00 noon.



Rachel's Corner

"Women carry the abortion experience within their bodies. Men carry the abortion experience within their minds. Women carry evidence within their bodies which is tangible. Men carry no tangible evidence. Women deny abortion through their bodies. Men deny abortion through their minds. For both the pain is very real and so is the healing."

- Testimonial

Come on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and allow Him to replace your pain and denial with His merciful peace.

Healing after Abortion Ministry – Rachel's Vineyard

250-762-2273 – info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com

f. Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna www.RachelsVineyardKelowna.com

FAIR TRADE GOODS

Will be on sale the **first Sunday** of each month. Please sign up for membership in Development and Peace at the same time.



FILIPINO MASS—will be held the first Sunday of the month at **Corpus Christi Parish** starting at 5:30 pm. The mass is followed by a pot luck dinner.

PERPETUAL ADORATION Chapel Group at ICC would like to request anyone who will be willing to spend at least one hour a week in our Adoration Chapel to please call Betty Chipeur at 250-860-6444. We need more people who are willing and generous for night time Adoration from 8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFASTS MONTHLY SCHEDULE—September through June

First Sunday of the Month
Immaculate Conception Church
and
St. Theresa Parish

Second Sunday of the Month
St. Pius X Parish

Third Sunday of the Month
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

Last Sunday of the Month
St. Charles Garnier Parish

PEOPLE OF FAITH CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Come on out and join us as we gather together to Praise and Worship our Awesome God! Tuesday evenings 7:00 pm at St. Pius X—enter through side off of Fuller Ave. For more info please call Piera 250-762-6150.

SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

"The Little Flowers of St. Francis Fraternity" meets every 2nd Sunday at 12:30 pm in St. Charles Garnier Hall. All are welcome to attend. Contact: Maria 778-214-2705

ST PEREGRINE PRAYER GROUP—The Secular Franciscans are holding prayer sessions for those afflicted with cancer and other diseases on the last Monday of each month 7-8pm at Alice's place. All are welcome. For directions contact Alice 250-860-3541, alicemccrea@shaw.ca. or Christine 250-768-5274, cbreevesac@shaw.ca

Please remember:

OUR CHURCH IS A **SCENT-FREE ZONE!**

Avoid wearing perfume, after-shave or heavily scented personal care products



DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE BULLETIN IS THURSDAY NOON.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Please complete this form and leave it in the collection basket or at the Parish Office.

Name(s): _____

New Parishioner: ☐ Information Change: ☐

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

CHILDREN

Name(s)	D.O.B.— (yyyy/mm/dd)

Would you like to be contacted by one of our parish groups?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> CWL | <input type="checkbox"/> Music |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Knights of Columbus | <input type="checkbox"/> Reader |
| <input type="checkbox"/> St. Vincent de Paul | <input type="checkbox"/> Usher |
| <input type="checkbox"/> R.C.I.A. | <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Servers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sacristan (Set up for Mass) | |

Would you like to pick up Sunday Offertory Envelopes from the ledge in the foyer next week? Yes ☐ No ☐

The label will have your name on it, the number identifies you and a tax receipt will be sent to you at the address that you registered with.

You may also register on-line @ www.stcharlesgarnier.ca where you can sign up for the bulletin to be **emailed to you each week.**